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SUBJECT: GENSCHER VISIT FOCUSES ON SOUTHERN AFRICA, HORN

1. DURING PRESS CONFERENCE FEBRUARY 28 WHICH CENTERED ON
GHODESIA (SEPTTEL NOTAL), PRESIDENT NYERERE ADDRESSED OTHER
ASPECTS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA IN RESPONSE TO PRESS CONFERENCE
QUESTIONS BY JOURNALISTS ACCOMPANYING GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTER
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GENSCHER DURING FOUR-DAY VISIT TO DAR ES SALAAM.

2. NYERERE SAID HE WELCOMED INITIATIVE BY WESTERN FIVE TO
BRING PEACEFUL INDEPENDENCE TO NAMIBIA. BUT HE COULD NOT
ACCEPT THAT POWERFUL COUNTRIES SUCH AS WEST GERMANY, JAPAN,
US AND UK NEEDED SOUTH AFRICA FOR THEIR ECONOMIC SURVIVAL. HE
SAID IT WAS INCREDIBLE THAT ALL THE MAJOR WESTERN POWERS WERE

CONVINCED THAT THEIR ECONOMIES AND CIVILIZATION WOULD COLLAPSE IF
THEY CUT THE SOUTH CONNECTION. ON THE FUTURE FOR WHITES
IN SOUTHERN

AFRICA, NYERERE SAID "WE ARE TELLING THEM TO STAY
THERE. JOHN VORSTER, PIK BOTHA AND IAN SMITH - PERHAPS SMITH
LESS THAN VORSTER - THESE FELLOWS ARE AFRICANS, EXCEPT THAT
THEY DON'T REGARD US AS AFRICANS."

3. PRESS REPORTS INDICATE GENSCHER HAD THREE-HOUR MEETING WITH
NYERERE FEBRUARY 27 WHICH WAS PRECEDED BY MEETING WITH
FOREIGN MINISTER MKAPA. BOTH MEETINGS CENTERED ON SOUTHERN
AFRICA AND THE HORN. WE MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE SOME DETAILS
ONCE SMALL, HARD-PRESSED GERMAN EMBASSY STAFF HAS HAD TIME TO
GET ITS WIND BACK.
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